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Thank you

David and Jimmie,

I am writing to thank you again for your time and the opportunity for us to meet face to face and explain our respective positions. I know that you did not come away with all you were looking for, but I think it was a productive discussion in any event. It was certainly one of the more constructive meetings that I have been a part of and I came away with a clear understanding of where you are in the process and the challenges ahead.

You are navigating a very difficult and complex matter and I commend the commission on its progress (truly). You have gotten us so much further than we have seen in the last three and a half years. I am hopeful that with the current collection of offers from the creditors, the legislature will do the right thing and accomplish what they need to do in order to make this all work and remove a terrible obstacle to progress. I am confident that you are taking the appropriate steps to educate the legislators on the facts and that they will ultimate do what is best for the state, even if this may be contrary to popular opinion and misconception. That is what true leadership is about and where our country benefits from being a constitutional republic and not a democracy.

Beyond the legislature, there is seemingly no shortage of additional hurdles to overcome and we pledge to help as best we can, just as I think we have done in the past.

I hope your return home went smoothly.

David, again, please accept my sincerest condolences on the loss of your uncle. I was very sorry to learn of his passing and that you were required to be so far from home when it happened.

Best regards,

Matt

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